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COUNTRY	East Germany	REPORT	
TOPIC	Jueterbog Airfield		
EVALUATION		PLACE OBTAINED	
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1. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Jueterbog airfield between 8 August and 1 September 1955:

8 August. No air activity was observed.

9 August. Between 0900 and 1000, 3 Po-2s from Jueterbog - Damm airfield crossed over Jueterbog and its vicinity. Between 1200 and 1800, MiG-15s, U-MiG-15s and MiG-17s made flights of 20 to 25 minutes duration.

10 August. No air activity was observed.

11 August. Between 1200 and 1400, 4 MiG-17s made local flights of 5 minutes duration. Between 1530 and 1830, Il-28s practiced flying for about 45 minutes. They did not tow sleeve targets when they crossed over the firing range.

12 August. Between 0700 and 1400, MiG-15s, U-MiG-15s and MiG-17s fitted with auxiliary fuel tanks practiced flying in elements of two for 20 to 25 minutes duration.

13 August. Between 0630 and 1400, 18 MiG-17s practiced local and formation flying in formations of 4 to 6 aircraft.

14 August. No air activity was observed.

16 August. After 1500, 6 MiG-17s with auxiliary fuel tanks made flights of about 30 minutes duration.

17 August. Between 1200 and 1800, a total of 21 MiG-15s, U-MiG-15s and MiG-17s practiced flying in formations of 4, 8 and 9; the aircraft remained aloft for about 15 minutes. The landings were made within 5  $\frac{1}{2}$  minutes. All aircraft were subsequently refueled. After 45 minutes, the 21 aircraft again took off in elements of two. This procedure was repeated 4 times.

18 August. Between 0900 and 1800, 12 jet fighters made flights in formations of 4 to 5 as on the preceding day.

19 August. Between 1100 and 1300, 2 jet bombers towing sleeve targets flew side-by-side over the firing range for 1 hour. Between 1400 and 1630, 16 MiG-15s, U-MiG-15s and MiG-17s practiced flying in formations of 4.

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22 August. No air activity by swept-back jet fighters was observed.

23 August. Between 0700 and 0900, 12 MiG-15s, U-MiG-15s and MiG-17s flew in formation, each flight lasting 25 minutes.

24 to 26 August. There was no air activity by swept-back jet fighters.

27 August. Between 0800 and 1200 and during the afternoon, MiG-15s, U-MiG-15s and MiG-17s flew individually and in elements of two.

28 to 31 August. There was no air activity by swept-back jet fighters.

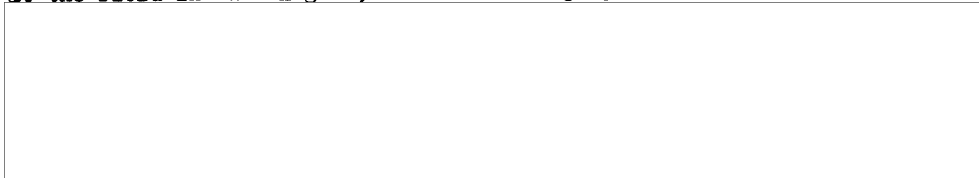
1 September. Between 0900 and 1100, flying was practiced in elements of two.

On almost all days during the period under review, Il-28s with and without sleeve targets crossed over the firing range. The aircraft with sleeve targets remained aloft 40 to 45 minutes and the others for about 60 minutes.

2. In about mid-August 1955, an Il-28 from Jueterbog airfield crashed at an unidentified place. This aircraft was probably [redacted] missing at the field after that date. Five persons were killed, service were held for them in the officers' club. This was allegedly the first crash in the last 2 years. Apparently in replacement of the crashed Il-28, a new Il-28 arrived at the field in late August, thus increasing again the number of Il-28s to 6.

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4. The following observations were made on MiG-17s:

The small black rod on the upper side of the fuselage between the pilot's cabin and rudder assembly was exactly in line with the bulge on the fuselage. Sketches forwarded previously showed the trailing edge of the rudder assembly set at angle which produced the impression that a sort of spine projected over the air intake aperture. This impression must be correct after the latest observations. The trailing edge of the rudder assembly of the MiG-17 greatly resembles that of the MiG-15. <sup>2</sup>

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1. Comment. Aircraft [redacted] previously been observed in Jueterbog and [redacted] in Neuruppin. [redacted] and 074 are reported for the first time.

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2. Comment. For sketch of MiG-17 tail, see Annex.

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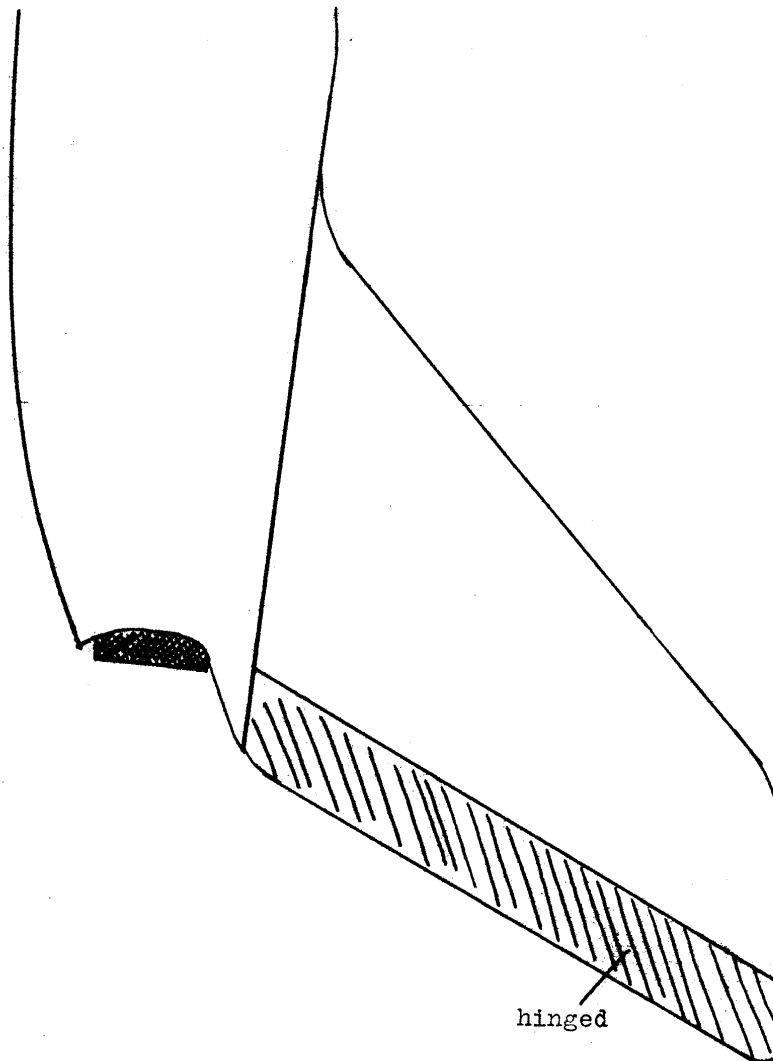
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Tail of MiG-17 Observed at Jueterbog Airfield



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